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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 10-22-51

WEATHER The week was colder than normal, with average deficiencies in temperature of about 5° in the east to about 8° in the west. Precipitation was generally light, but many days were raw, cloudy and humid.

CROPS Some corn is being picked but mostly for early feeding. A few counties in south-central Nebraska report that the early planted corn is about dry enough for cribbing. Dry weather over most of the State since the first week in October has been favorable for corn. Some of the earlier corn may be dry enough for cribbing next week, but most counties report further delay will be necessary because of high moisture content.

Some additional corn was cut for ensilage last week. Pierce county reports some making silage of snapped ear corn. There are nearly 10,000 silos of all types in the State. Some of the more immature corn may be pastured. Reports from the counties indicate that there is a considerable shrinkage and lower yields. Cedar county reports half of the corn matured before frost, 25% damaged seriously and 25% having varying degrees of damage.

Winter wheat is making splendid growth and the condition is excellent. A little reseedling of wheat due to insect attack on the seed kernels is reported from Fillmore county. Wheat should furnish considerable pasture soon. Soil moisture surveys in wheat fields are being made this week.

Harvest of the late commercial potato crop in western Nebraska is about completed. One county reports deterioration of potatoes in storage due to blight. The sugar beet harvest is about 25% completed. The threshing of dry edible beans continues.

Reports indicate that very little of the grain sorghum had matured sufficiently before frost to be harvested for grain. Reports on the yields of soybeans are favorable, most of them having matured before frost. Dakota county reports yields ranging from 25 bushels to 35 bushels.

The condition of pasture is excellent. Range is heavy and it is curing nicely. The hay and forage supply is large but the quality is not so good.

Fall sown grasses and alfalfa are making a vigorous growth. Some of the crop was sown a little late because of rains.

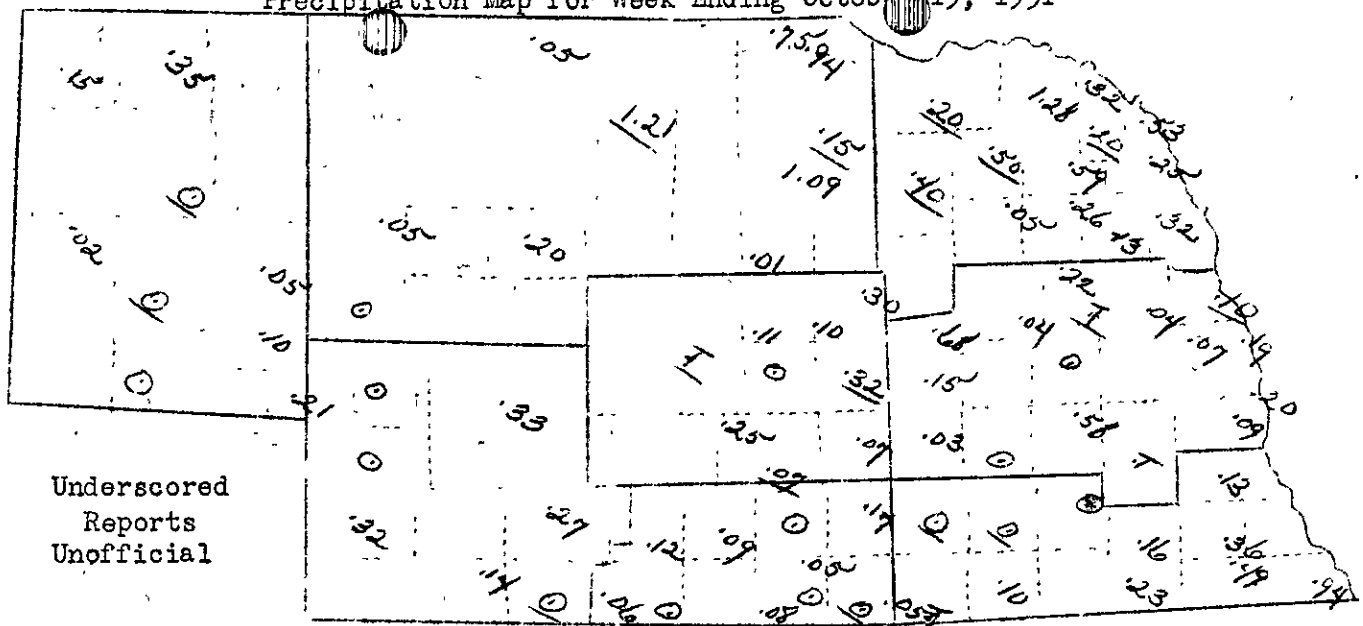
LIVESTOCK Cattle feeding operations so far are not much above the level a year ago. Prices of feeder cattle, especially calves, are high. Some counties report prices of steer calves ranging from \$40 to \$45 and heifer calves from \$40 to \$42 per hundred pounds. Some counties report a good movement of feeder cattle to market. Some hogs are being marketed at 200 pound weights.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 22, 1951

<u>Eastern Division</u>	<u>Central Division</u>	<u>Western Division</u>
Grand Island .19	Burwell .23	Chadron .21
Lincoln .11	Lexington .12	Imperial .17
Norfolk .20	North Platte .14	Scottsbluff .09
Omaha .26	Valentine .05	Sidney .21
Sioux City .25		

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Precipitation Map for Week Ending October 19, 1951



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPARATURES (for 24 hours ending in a.m.)

		OCTOBER		16th		17th		18th		19th		20th		21st		22nd	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	72	36	42	26	53	31	40	34	57	40	47	31	35	28		
	Scottsbluff	74	36	42	29	55	30	49	31	53	38	65	34	40	26		
	Sidney	75	32	44	29	49	31	49	28	54	33	65	34	39	26		
N-C	Burwell	74	43	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	52	36	44	30		
	Valentine	76	37	40	31	46	32	37	33	55	37	61	32	35	27		
NE	Norfolk	75	45	55	40	49	34	42	35	42	31	56	39	47	29		
	Sioux City	77	46	44	36	48	40	32	28	43	34	55	42	48	32		
CEN.	Grand Island	70	46	57	39	48	36	--	--	43	33	58	41	49	31		
	Lexington	71	43	50	36	48	33	57	31	46	30	52	37	45	29		
E-C	Lincoln	69	51	67	42	49	41	49	40	44	39	68	40	58	35		
	Omaha	74	53	65	43	49	38	46	40	44	40	62	50	58	36		
SW	Imperial	76	49	47	35	50	31	54	28	65	33	65	36	45	20		
	North Platte	71	40	47	35	50	34	52	29	56	33	63	37	44	20		

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